

17-562 Ethics Administration

Ethics Administration has only one program, Administration. Therefore the mission and goals of the Ethics Administration are the same as those listed for the Administration Program in the Program description that follows.

Act 64 of the 1996 First Extraordinary Session of the Louisiana Legislature, effective January 1, 1997, reformed the basic structure of Ethics Administration by eliminating the Board of Ethics for Elected Officials and the Commission on Ethics for Public Employees and creating an eleven-member Board of Ethics.

The Board of Ethics is statutorily charged with the responsibility of interpreting, administering and enforcing the Code of Governmental Ethics, the Campaign Finance Disclosure Act, the Louisiana Elections Integrity Law and the Louisiana Lobbyist Registration and Disclosure Act. The Board of Ethics exercises jurisdiction over all state and local elected officials, all nonelected state and local governmental officials, appointees and employees and over any other "person" who engages in statutorily proscribed conduct. The Board of Ethics serves as the Supervisory Committee for the Campaign Finance Disclosure Act (CFDA). The board is charged also with regulating the amount of contributions that may be received by candidates and committees as well as various other campaign finance activities. The board is likewise responsible for the administration of the Ethics Code requirement that governors and gubernatorial candidates and members of the Gaming Control Board file financial disclosure reports. The Board of Ethics is responsible for the administration and enforcement of the Elections Integrity Act, which provides for the management of complaints with respect to certain Louisiana elections. The Board of Ethics is responsible for the administration and enforcement of the Lobbyist Registration and Disclosure Act.

Act 66 of the 1996 First Extraordinary Session of the Louisiana Legislature significantly reformed the procedures for enforcing violations of the Campaign Finance Disclosure Act and imposed the requirement for the development of a comprehensive data and information processing program and information distribution network.

BUDGET SUMMARY

	ACTUAL 1998-1999	ACT 10 1999- 2000	EXISTING 1999- 2000	CONTINUATION 2000 - 2001	RECOMMENDED 2000 - 2001	RECOMMENDED OVER/(UNDER) EXISTING
MEANS OF FINANCING:						
STATE GENERAL FUND (Direct)	\$1,079,224	\$1,249,123	\$1,278,248	\$1,250,202	\$1,261,233	(\$17,015)
STATE GENERAL FUND BY:						
Interagency Transfers	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fees & Self-gen. Revenues	63,947	85,000	85,000	55,000	55,000	(30,000)
Statutory Dedications	0	0	0	0	0	0
Interim Emergency Board	0	0	0	0	0	0
FEDERAL FUNDS	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCING	\$1,143,171	\$1,334,123	\$1,363,248	\$1,305,202	\$1,316,233	(\$47,015)
EXPENDITURES & REQUEST:						
Administration	\$1,143,171	\$1,334,123	\$1,363,248	\$1,305,202	\$1,316,233	(\$47,015)
TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND REQUEST	\$1,143,171	\$1,334,123	\$1,363,248	\$1,305,202	\$1,316,233	(\$47,015)
AUTHORIZED FULL-TIME EQUIVALENTS: Classified	23	23	23	23	22	(1)
Unclassified	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	23	23	23	23	22	(1)

This agency's recommended appropriation includes \$27,168 for short-term debt, including Lease Purchase agreements.

This agency does not have any long-term debt for Fiscal Year 2000-2001.

This agency's recommended appropriation also includes the following amount by means of financing for payments on the unfunded accrued liability of the Louisiana State Employee's Retirement System in accordance with the provisions of Article X, Section 29 of the Constitution of Louisiana:

State General Fund (Direct)	\$7,475
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Total	\$7,475
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